(d) what is the out off date to com-plan the developmental works on these centres?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA); (a) to (d) Out of 70 growth centres intended to be developed in various States/Union Territories, locations of 60 growth centres have beep identified. Andhra Pradesh has been allocated 4 growth centres, the location of which are as under:—

Name of growth centre	District
a-Ssbb-liVizianagaramOngolePrakasam (VecmsoorMandal)KhammamHindpur	Anantapur

The Guidelines for preparation of Detailed Project Reports have been circulated to State Governments/Union Territories in September, 1990.

The growth centre scheme is proposed to be taken up for implementation during the 8th Plan Period.

Review of the Industrial Policy

618. SHRI DIPEN GHOSH:
SHRI SUKOMAL SEN:
DR. NAGEN SAIKIA.

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to stale:

(a) whether Government have any pro-posal to review the industrial policy announced by the National Front Go-vernment; if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether it is a fact that the small scale units in the country are suffering since the investment limit has not been increased by Government so far; and

(c) whether Government also propose to allow multinationals to establish industries in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRl KAMAL MORARKA): (a) This is under consideration of the Government.

(b) There have been representations from some Associations and Federations representing SSI units to raise the invest ment ceiling in plant and mechinery for the small scale units

(c) Under the present policy, foreign companies are eligible to play a role in Industrial development in the Country.

Deployment of army in Punjab

69. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether army has been deployed in Punjab;

(b) whether it is also likely to be dep loyed in Jammu & Kashmir; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) The army has been deployed in the selected sensitive districts of Amritsar, Gurdaspur and Ferozepur for carrying out training. During their presence in Punjab tha army units would also assist in preventing infiltration/exfiltration from/to Pakistan in conjunction with the Border Security force.

(b) and (c) The Army is in operational control of the line of control in, Jammu and Kashmir. They are called out to assist the civil administration as and when the situation so warrants.

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Export of computer software

620. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to -state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the great potential of compute ware export; and

(b) if so, the measures taken to increase the exports?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRl KAMAL MORARKA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Government of India had announced the Policy on Software Export, Software Development and Training in December, 1986. The main thrust of the Policy framework is integrated development of software for domestic and export market. The policy permits import of hardware for software export scheme, import of software under Open General Licence, release of Foreign Exchange Blanket permit for marketing expenses abroad, and simplification of procedures for processing of applications, Based on abroad, and simplification of procedures experience and review from time to time, measures are taken on a continuing basis to update the policy and provisions such as import of computer hardware on loan basis, simplified procedure for acquisition of companies abroad ets., were announced. A series of incentive like exemption from income tax under Section 80 HHC for export of software, reduction in the customs duty of the capital goods needed for software and avoidance of double taxation on import of software have also been announced.

The Department of Electronics has set up Software Technology Parks at Pune, Bangalore and Bhubaneshwar to cater to the needs of software development units for 100 per cent exports software through data communication links.

Communal and Caste Rlots in Bihar

621. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that many incidents of communal and caste riots have taken place in Bihar during the last six months;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the number of CRPF, BSF and other Central paramilitary forces do-ployed during the above period; and

(d) the measures taken to curb such incidents?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY); (a) and (b) On the basis of available information, the following four serious incidents of communal violence occured in the State of Bihar during the last six months;—

Place and Date	No. of ions-	
	Killed	Injured
I. Daronda Distt. Ranchi (Oct 9,90)	1	6
2. Ranch' clty (Oct 16,28, 1990)	4	16
3. Aryoda /Kadru cities Distt. Ranchi (28-10-1990)	1	5
4. Patna city (Nov. 27-29)	11	5

No serious incident of caste violence occured in the State of Bihar during the last six months.

(c) Units of Central para-military forces are made available to the State r.?nts on request, subject to avail-

(d) Material support in terms of para-military forces and equipment is provided to the State Governments as and when occasion arises or demands are ma enable them to effectively manage control the riot situation on ground.

With a view to finding ways and means of combatting the evils of communalism,

the National Integration Council has been deliberating to find a solution to this vexed problem. The Council held two meetings during 1990—one in April in New Delhi and the other in September in Mad-ras_ At these meetings, resolutions were passed to the effect that the problems have to be solved in a paaceful manner, an amicable solution is to be found to the Ram Janma Bhoomi-Bahri Masjid issue and that nothing should be done to aggravate the communal tension which already exists in the country.

With a view to promoting the twin concepts of communal harmony and national integration, a scheme is presently operative in the Ministry of Home Affairs under which financial assistance is granted to the Voluntary Organisations for holding functions and seminars for this purpose in various parts of the country.

Keeping in mind the need to foster communal harmony and prevent the pccurance of communal riots in the country, guidelines were issued to Stales/UTs in April, 1990 detailing measures in this behalf. A set of suggestions have also been Sent to States/UTs in August, 1990, about curbing of inflammatory speeches, writings etc. which tend to vitiate the communal atmosphere in the country.

The Ministry of Home Affairs is also monitoring some aspects of the 15-Point Programme for Minorities Welfare. These include setting up of Special Courts, relief recruitment of minorities in police etc.

Special Courts have I up in Delhi (3), Bhagalpur (6), and Meerut (2) for expeditious trial of communal riot cases. The Governments of Gujarat, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh have also been requested to set up similar special courts, where communal riots had occurred during October, 1989-December, 1989.

The Central Government is also considering the creation of a Riot Force to contrei communal riots in different parts of the country.

New Industrial Policy

622. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government have formulated the new industrial policy; if so, the details thereof; and

(b) if not, by when it is likely to bo formulated?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (SHRI KAMAL MORARKA): (a) and (b) A paper titled "Policy measures for the promotion of small scale and agro based industries and changes in procedures for industrial approvals-" was laid on the Table of both the Houses of Parliament on 31st May, 1990. The matter is under consideration.

Revamping of Punjab Administration

623. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether the Central Government propose to revamp the Punjab Administration and an action plan to deal with militants is also being finalised;

<b) if so, the manner in whicii the Punjab Administration would be revamped and the activities of the militants would be defused;

(c) the details of the suggestions received from the Punjab Government for introducing changes in the State Administration; and

(d) what action has been taken by the Central Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY); (a) to (d) The situation in Punjab is constantly under review. As part of the overall strategy to find a

lasting solution to the problem, a number of steps have been suggested *to* the State Government to make the administration more effective and achieve a sense of peoples participation and secure their cooperation and support in the fight against terrorism. They have also been asked to take 'steps to firmly deal with terrorist activities. The changes that may be required in the administrative set-up of the State for the purpose will, however, have to be made by the State Government themselves. All possible assistence is being extended to the State Government as and when required.

Observing 'Decade of the Girl Child

624. SHRIMATI MARGARET ALVA: Wiil the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that the Heads of Governments of SAARC countries have decided to observe the coming decade as the 'Decade of the Girl Child'; and

if so, what action plan has been J by Government for implementing this

MINISTER OF STATE IN THEMINISTRY OF LABOUR AND THEMINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY ARE (SHRI RAMJI LALSUMAN): (a) and (b) In the recentlySummit at Male, the Heads ofState Government decided that in or-focus on the problems ofth years 199)-2000 AD as the "SAARC DECADE OF THE GIRL CHILD" regard-in plan is under formula tion by the Government.Press Reports on Communal situation

625. DR. G. VIJAYA MOHAN REDDY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased te

(a) whether Government are aware that some news papers have been indulging in communal propaganda, sometimes publishing blatant lies without verification which has sparked off further violence during communal riots in several places; and

(b) if so, what action Government propose to take against such papers for spreading false information?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) and (b) The State Governments and U.Ts, are vested with adequate powers to launch prosecutions against News-papers, periodicals and inflammatory writings preaching communal hatred in the press. Moreover any published material which promotes communal dishormony or feeling of enmity, hatred or ill-will between different communities can also be prescribed. The Central Government has issued instructions, from time to time, to States and UTs for strict enforcement of the legal provisions.

Request by various parties of Punjab to the Central Government

626. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL; Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether leaders of various political parties in Punjab have urged the Central Government to take immediate steps to solve the State's continuing problem and ask the Pak Government to stop fuelling militancy in the State;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Central iment thereto; and

(c) the details of the steps contemplated by Government to tackle Punjab situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRl SUBODH KANT SAHAY); (a) to (c) Yes. Sir. The Prime Minister he'd meetings on 7th and 8th December, 1990 in New Delhi with reoresentatives of political parties from Punjab. The meetings were attended

by representatives of Congress (I), Akali Dal (Panthic), A.D. (Pheruman), S.A.D. (Longowal), C.P.I., C.P.I.(M) Janta Dal, B.J.P., B.S.P. and Janta Dal(S); Several suggestions were made by the participants. The Government has been taking appropriate steps for tackling the situation in Punjab from time to time.

Toning op of Civil Administration in Punjab

627. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether Prime Minister has directed th; Punjab Government to provide the highest priority to toning up of Civil Administration in the State and also to ensure that grievances of the people are looked into;

(b) if so, whether the Punjab Administration has made any changes in the Administrative set up of the State; and

(c) if so, the details thereof and what impact it has on the activities of terrorists?

THE MINISTER OF STATE. IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY); (a) to (c) The situation in Punjab is constantly under review. As part of the overall strategy to find a lasting solution to the problem, a number of steps have been suggested to the State Government to make the administration effective and secure the cooperation and support of the people in the fight against terrorism. The changes that may be required in the administrative Set-up of the State will, however, have to be made by the State Government themselves. It is hoped that on completion of action on various suggestions the State Government would be in a position to effectively deal with the situation.

Army searches in Srinagar

628. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that in some areas of Srinagar, army has been called ' to conduct house to house searches for militants;

(b) if so, the number of subversives arrested during the last two months in the Valley;

(c) the details of arms and ammuni- tions etc., seized from them; and

(d) the further action Government propose to take to apprehend the subversives in the Valley?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRISUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) to (d) Details are awaited from the State Government.

Seizure of fake driving licences and registration book; in Delhi

629. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the PRIME MINISTERpleased tostate;

(a) the Crime Branch sleuths have unearthed a gang involved in the preparation of fake driving licences and registration books during the month of November, 1990 at New Delhi;

(b) if so, the *modus operandi* of these persons in running their illegal business;

(c) the details of the documents etc., seized and the persons arrested;

(d) whether the involved persons are having any link with the officirds of Transport Authority; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and what further action Government propose to take against them?

THE MINISTER OF E IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The cwlprits used to issue fake driving licences and registration books by affixing fake stamps.

(c) Three persons have been arrested and the following documents seized:—

(i) 34 prepared fake driving licences.

(ii) 13 Wank driving licence forms.

'Hi) 17 fake registration books.

(iv) 50 blank registration certificate forms.

(v) 32 rubber stamps of various transport authorities.

(vi) 50 photos.

(d) and (e) One of the accused is a suspended employee of Delhi Transport Authority. He has been arrested by the police.

Programme for women and child development during Eighth Plan

630. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM; Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have drawn up an ambitious programme for activities connected with women and child development daring the Eighth Plan;

(b) if so, the salient features thereof;

(c) how much expenditure is likely to be incurred for this purpose; and

(d) to what extent the development of women and child would be achieved during the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI RAMJI LAL SUMAN): (a) to (d) The Department has prepared the Eighth Plan proposal for the programmes for women and child development but its scope, content and outlay 'will depend on the finalisation of VIIIth Five Year Plan.

Inclusion of Manipuri in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution of India

631. SHRI W. KULABIDHU SINGH; Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether it is a fact that Manipuri language has been the official language of Manipur even before the Constitution of India came into force in 1950;

(b) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to include Manipur Language in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution of India; if so the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY); (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. However, no decision has been taken to include any more languages in the Eighth Schedule to the Constitution of India.

आब्जर्वर वीडियो कैसेट को सैंसर की अनुमति

632. सरदार जगजीत सिंह अरोड़ा :
श्री राम जेठमलानी :

क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान 12 दिसम्बर, 1990 के "टाइम्स आफ इंडिया" में "सेंससंस्ट्राइक आब्जर्वर नाउ)" शीर्षक के अन्तर्गत प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या यह सच है कि अवैध हथियारों के निर्माण और उनकी बिक्री से संबंधित वीडियो पत्रिका के एक भाग की सेंसर बोर्ड द्वारा अलग से अनुमति ले ली गई है ; और